

REMARKS

Claims 1-51 are pending in the present application. Applicant changes the claim language herein to recite that the substrate is porous. Express support for this recitation may be found in the specification at page 9, line 18 and page 25, line 26 wherein is taught a "permeable membrane layer" and at page 28, line 18, page 29, line 7 and page 30, line 14 wherein is taught a "controlled porosity glass (CPG)" substrate. Moreover, support may be found in the figures as filed, including Figure 8, for example. Applicant introduces this additional recitation into the claim language merely to more clearly describe particular embodiments within the scope of the claims.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance and advancement as such is respectfully requested. If any issues arise that may be addressed telephonically, please call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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